

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to a telephone call with Examiner Zhen on January 6, 2005. Examiner indicated that claims 3, 6, 7, 12, 15, 19, 24, 27 and 36 included allowable subject matter. Accordingly, claims 3, 6, 7, 12, 15, 24, 27 and 36 have been amended to be independent. Claims 13 and 25 have been amended to include the features of claims 5 and 6. Claims 1 and 2 have been cancelled, and 29 has also been cancelled since it contained the features of claim 5, which are now in independent claim 13.

The amended claims are believed to be allowable, and the application as so amended is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Zhen for his helpfulness in moving the application forward.

Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone David A. Dagg, Applicants' Attorney at 617-630-1131 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

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